GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is making some fresh efforts to regreen India to check desertification;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to involve everyone in the plantation of trees; and

(d) if so, the mechanism therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (c) and (d) The Ministry of Environment and Forests is implementing National Afforestation Programme (NAP) during the 10th Five Year Plan. NAP is being implemented through two-tier decentralized institutions, Forest Development Agency (FDA) at Forest Division level and Joint Forest Management Committee (JFMC) at the village level for regeneration of degraded forest and adjoining lands. This two-tier institution of FDAs and JFMCs, ensures participation of the villagers in NAP.